Introduced by Assembly Member Feuer

December 23, 2008

An act relating to personal liability.

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AB 83, as introduced, Feuer. Torts: personal liability immunity. Existing law provides that any person who in good faith, and not for compensation, renders emergency medical care at the scene of an emergency shall not be liable for any civil damages resulting from any act or omission.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to review the civil liability immunity of people who provide emergency care.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature, in light of the
- 2 California Supreme Court's holding in Van Horn v. Watson, to
- 3 examine the extent to which a person who renders assistance to
- 4 another person in an emergency shall be immune from liability
- 5 arising out of that assistance.